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In the Claims:

Claim 1 (currently amended) A sealing arrangement for a rolling-contact bearing, comprising an elastic sealing disk running around with an outer bearing ring or a housing, having a reinforcement and positionally fixed with positive engagement in a receptacle or an annular groove, the sealing disk engaging with a flexible seal in a recess of an inner bearing ring and being supported by means of a sealing edge on a wall, wherein a first sealing lip is supported axially on an outer wall of the recess and a second sealing lip is assigned to the an inner wall of the recess with play, a mass of the first sealing lip forming a center of mass, which, in a fitted position of the sealing arrangement, is offset in relation to a supporting line determined by the sealing disk in such a way that the centrifugal force acting at the center of mass initiates a force component acting in the clockwise direction, the first and second sealing lips being made to extend from a common sealing lip root of the sealing disk wherein the first sealing lip has on the outside, on a side facing the second sealing lip, a head.

Claim 2 (previously presented) The sealing arrangement as claimed in claim 1, in which a shoulder diameter (D_1) of the inner bearing ring exceeds an inside diameter (D_2) of an inner sealing lip.

Claim 3 (previously presented) The sealing arrangement as claimed in claim 2, in

which a distance (a) between the inner wall of the recess and a free end of the second sealing lip is designed so that, even with a maximum rotational speed of the rolling-contact bearing, it ensures a distance $(a) > 0$.

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Claim 5 (previously presented) The sealing arrangement as claimed in claim 1, an axial offset (b) between an end face of the sealing disk and the sealing edge of the first sealing lip being obtained in a fitted position of the two sealing lips.

Claim 6 (previously presented) The sealing arrangement as claimed in claim 1, in which the second sealing lip, obliquely inclined in relation to the inner wall and designed as a toe wall, is arranged axially offset in relation to the first sealing lip by a distance (c).

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Claim 8 (previously presented) The sealing arrangement as claimed in claim 1, the

recess of which in the inner bearing ring has walls of different heights, the height of the inner wall, defined by the shoulder diameter (D_1) of a bearing ring, exceeding the size of the diameter (D_3) of the bearing ring in the region between the recess and an end face and also an inside diameter (D_2) of the second sealing lip.

Claim 9 (previously presented) The sealing arrangement as claimed in claim 1, with the first sealing lip being provided with at least one venting groove in a region of the sealing edge.

Claim 10 (previously presented) The sealing arrangement as claimed in claim 9, wherein the venting groove of which is made to extend in a radial or inclined manner.

Claims 11 to 13 (cancelled).

Claim 14 (currently amended) The sealing arrangement as claimed in claim 1, wherein the reinforcement, formed in the manner of a disk, of the sealing disk (3) being encapsulated at least on one side by an elastic sealing material of the sealing arrangement and the reinforcement forming on the outside an angled-away flange and on the inside a leg inclined

obliquely in the direction of the recess.